1 3.14 PUBLIC SERVICES

PUBLIC SERVICES	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Would the Project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				
Fire protection?				\boxtimes
Police Protection?				\boxtimes
Schools?				\boxtimes
Parks?				\boxtimes
Other public facilities?				

2 3.14.1 Environmental Setting

- 3 The Project site is located along the southeast shore of the Suisun Bay in Bay Point,
- 4 Contra Costa County. The Project is located within the waters of the Bay with staging
- 5 areas approximately 200 to 300 feet offshore.

6 Fire Protection

- 7 The offshore areas of the Project are in navigable waters served by the Contra Costa
- 8 County Sheriff Marine Unit, and the USCG. The Sheriff Marine Unit responds to fire
- 9 incidents on County waterways with vessels that are equipped with water pumps;
- 10 however, the Sheriff Officers are not trained firefighters. The Marine Unit will also
- 11 transport fire departments to an incident upon request. The Marine Unit patrols the
- 12 waterways along Contra Costa County based out of three stations, one at the former
- 13 Concord Naval Weapons Station, one at the city of Antioch, and one at Discovery Bay.
- 14 The USCG responds to incidents involving injuries, loss of life or damage to vessels on
- 15 the waterways of Contra Costa County. The USCG responds to fire incidents on
- waterways for rescue and lifesaving, but not for the purposes of fire suppression. The
- 17 closest USCG Station to the Project is located at 2 Harbor Way in Vallejo.

Police Protection

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- 19 Law enforcement services in the Project area would be provided by the Contra Costa
- 20 County Sheriff's Department. The Office of the Sheriff has a staff of 1,052 (720 sworn

- 1 personnel and 332 general employees). The Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department
- 2 serves a community of 7 square miles and over 20,000 people. The closest Sheriff's
- 3 office to the Project site is the Pittsburg Police Department, located at 65 Civic Avenue.
- 4 The waterways of Contra Costa County are served by the Contra Costa County Sheriff
- 5 Marine Unit, located at 70 Lauritzen Lane in Oakley. The Marine Unit has five to six
- 6 staff, with additional staff during the boating season. The Marine Services Unit responds
- 7 to crimes that occur within Contra Costa waterways, boating accidents, rescues, and
- 8 missing persons reports (Contra Costa Sheriff's Office 2014).

9 Schools

10 There are no schools located adjacent to or within a mile of the Project site.

11 Parks

- 12 Impacts to park land are discussed in Section 3.15, Recreation. The Project will have no
- impact on parks.

14 3.14.2 Regulatory Setting

15 **Federal and State**

- 16 Federal and State laws and regulations pertaining to this issue area and relevant to the
- 17 Project are identified in Table 3.14-1.

Table 3.14-1 Laws, Regulations, and Policies (Public Services)

U.S. Code of Federal Regulations	 Under 29 CFR 1910.38, whenever an Occupational Safety and Health Administration standard requires one, an employer must have an Emergency Action Plan that must be in writing, kept in the workplace, and available to employees for review. An employer with 10 or fewer employees may communicate the plan orally to employees. Minimum elements of an emergency action plan are: Procedures for reporting a fire or other emergency; Procedures for emergency evacuation, including type of evacuation and exit route assignments; Procedures to be followed by employees who remain to operate critical plant operations before they evacuate; Procedures to account for all employees after evacuation; Procedures to be followed by employees performing rescue or medical duties; and The name or job title of every employee who may be contacted by employees who need more information about the plan or an explanation of their duties under the plan. Under 29 CFR 1910.39, an employer must have a Fire Prevention Plan (FPP). A FPP must be in writing, be kept in the workplace, and be made available to employees for review; an employer with 10 or fewer employees may communicate the plan orally to employees. Minimum elements of a FPP are:

Table 3.14-1 Laws, Regulations, and Policies (Public Services)
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		 A list of all major fire hazards, proper hazardous material handling and storage procedures, potential ignition sources and their control, and the type of fire protection equipment necessary to control each major hazard; Procedures to control accumulations of flammable and combustible waste materials; Procedures for regular maintenance of safeguards installed on heat-producing equipment to prevent the accidental ignition of combustible materials; The name or job title of employees responsible for maintaining equipment to prevent or control sources of ignition or fires; and The name or job title of employees responsible for the control of fuel source hazards. An employer must inform employees upon initial assignment to a job of the fire hazards to which they are exposed and must also review with each employee those parts of the FPP necessary for self-protection. Under 29 CFR 1910.155, Subpart L, Fire Protection, employers are required to place and keep in proper working order fire safety equipment within facilities.
CA	California Code of Regulations	Under Title 19 , Public Safety , the California State Fire Marshal (CSFM) develops regulations relating to fire and life safety. These regulations have been prepared and adopted to establish minimum standards for the prevention of fire and for protection of life and property against fire, explosion, and panic. The CSFM also adopts and administers regulations and standards necessary under the California Health and Safety Code to protect life and property.

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- 2 The Public Facilities/Services Element of the Contra Costa County General Plan 1995-
- 3 2020 includes goals and policies to assist the County in meeting its defined public
- 4 protection, fire protection, school, and public facility needs. There are no Public
- 5 Services goals or policies that are applicable to the Project Area.

6 3.14.3 Impact Analysis

- a) Would the Project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:
 - Fire protection?
- Police Protection?
- Schools?
- 16 *Parks?*
- Other public facilities?
- No Impact. The Project is the removal of a non-operational outfall/diffuser pipe and does not involve the construction of any residences, buildings, or infrastructure. During

- 1 removal activities, there is the potential for a temporary increase in demand for fire and
- 2 emergency response services; however, the Project would not require additional fire,
- 3 police, or emergency medical services outside of those services already available.
- 4 Therefore, there would be no substantial adverse physical impacts resulting from the
- 5 Project that would require new or physically altered governmental facilities associated
- 6 with fire protection, police services, schools, parks, or other public services.

7 **3.14.4 Mitigation Summary**

- 8 The Project would not result in significant impacts to Public Services; therefore, no
- 9 mitigation is required.